

NEXT WEEK'S MENACE

Next week attention will be given to "The Anti-papal Panic" predicted and deplored by Washington Gladden in a recent number of *Harper's Weekly*. Better order a bundle today and teach your neighbors the difference between religious Catholicism and political Romanism—a distinction clearly missed by the Reverend Gladden as well as many others.

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ILLINOIS COURTS AND LEGISLATURE ROMANIZED

What Belongs to State

Hennessey, the name that made whiskey famous, is again in the limelight. The latest Hen of the Hennesseys is author of a pretentious petition addressed to the President of the United States, praying for the abatement of The Menace.

The seven whereas of the said petition recite the sorrows of the pope's own over allegations made by the patriotic press, and abound in rhetoric relating to Valley Forge, Cold Harbor, Manila Bay, Sherman, Sheridan and Christopher Columbus. They exhort President Wilson to look into history just once and see how they of the apostolic, hyperbolic, melancholic faith discovered the United States, made the United States, saved the United States again and are the only means of saving it some more.

The climax and conclusion of the essay de Hennessey is a mighty promise to the effect that if the President will be good enough to put all the law in the statute books upon The Menace, or, if the law is not strong enough, if he will make Congress pass laws that are—if he will only so love the popes as to destroy their enemies in general and The Menace in particular, then, under those happy conditions and in that event "we will never be lacking in our duty to the state and the things that belong to it."

These Hennesseys, Tooheys, Flannigans and Blarneys are never so comic as when they elevate their capuchin countenances in an effort to be sadly serious. Was there ever an Irish bull to beat this declaration that if the President will approve their lawlessness and grant their illegal petition, they will be law-abiding citizens? If the President will be pleased to grant their prayer in defiance of Constitutional law, they will protect him against all comers at the ballot box and elsewhere.

The language of the petition reveals the attitude of the petitioners as not that of loyal citizens asking for a legal redress of grievances, but as the attitude of a legion from a foreign power negotiating a treaty of mutual defense and offense. Like that other priest-inspired mob they want some one crucified. In the spirit of Haman they want it written and signed by the signet that we may be destroyed. And, as an inducement, and in consideration for all this, they promise to never after be lacking in their duty to the State in the things that belong to it.

But, what belongs to the state? Aye. There's the rub. The Romish conception of what belongs to the state is widely different from the American conception. For a papist to say that he will render to the State what belongs to the State is merely to say that he will render to the State that which does not belong to the pope. And what belongs to the pope? According to his own teaching the keys of heaven and hell give him general dominion over the world to bind and loose with authority that transcends all human enactments. He and his assert control of education, not only in the schools but in thought, speech, and press. His agents do all in their power to discredit and destroy the "Godless" public schools; and this effort to destroy The Menace and other patriotic papers is only part of the general program to dominate all the means of conveying instruction or interpreting events.

We have too much respect for President Wilson's scholarship to think that he can be influenced by Jesuit-made parochial-school fiction labeled history; and we have too much confidence in the man who would not recognize the murderer Huerta to think he would connive at the murder of the American press. And if, by chance, the matter may be handled by President Tumulty, we still have an appeal from Caesar to the American people.

In fact, we are appealing to the American people, the court of last resort, every week. We are pleading to the indictment of the popes against civilization, against popular government and against popular education. Instead of discussing the case on its merits these legates of popery demand that we and our evidence be suppressed. They petition for snap judgment before the case is tried by the highest tribunal in the land. They condemn themselves by trying to defeat justice in spiriting away the witnesses. And they have insulted the President of the United States by asking him to be party to such procedure.

This mob of Hennesseyites howling about Pilate, their hands bloody with Inquisitorial intolerance, is a demonstration that deserves nothing but contempt and would receive nothing else were it not for the insistent assertion that it is religious.

Protection to Church Property

The new York Herald Bureau, under date of July 19, says. By the restoration of a Mexican law which for more than half a century has been a dead letter the constitutionalists, it is reported here, purpose to dispossess the Roman Catholic church of all of its real estate holdings in Mexico. This intention was revealed as the result of representations made to the constitutionalists against violence to the persons of Catholic priests in Mexico. The clergy of Saltillo, Monterey and Zacatecas have appealed to the State Department for protection. Two priests, it is reported, have been killed by constitutionalist soldiers and others have been imprisoned or threatened.

Delegations of Roman Catholic priests have called upon both the President and Mr. Bryan, Secretary of State, to protect against these acts and to appeal for protection. The State Department has made representations in their behalf to the constitutionalists. The French Ambassador, Mr. Jusserand, has also been requested to use his good efforts to prevent outrages.

In the discussion which these appeals precipitated, representatives of the constitutionalists made known the intention to restore the ancient law which forbids the Roman Catholic church owning real estate in Mexico. The constitutionalists declare furthermore that the church has been active politically in Mexico; that the Catholic party has given support to the Huerta government. In the changes in the existing order which the constitutionalists propose to put into effect will be included a programme for the separation of church and state.

The Menace said more than two years ago that the disturbing, intriguing force in Mexico was the Roman Catholic party. The poverty and crime and ignorance in Mexico is the result of the papal system. To change the form of government and its laws so as to favor the Catholic church has been the motive and inspiration of all the trouble in Mexico for many years.

The church has caused the assassination of every leader who would reform the abuses, break the power of graft, separate church and state. To assassinate presidents and rulers is the papal habit.

The Catholic political party is discredited and beaten in Mexico just now, and the hierarchy of America is exerting itself to protect the oppressors of the people, save the corrupt priesthood and the church property. The situation is just the same as prevailed in the Philippines. Will Wilson and Bryan do as Taft and Roosevelt did? Shall the church of Rome be put back in Mexico and the cruelty against a brave people be continued and permitted under the protection of the American flag?

Clean out the corrupt and Romanized congressmen and senators this fall. Send patriots to congress to help fight the world's battle against a corrupt and debasing world power, the Roman Catholic political machine. Untie the president's hands; dismiss Tumulty and the Jesuits. No greater issues have confronted the people than the one before us today.

Defeat the papal machine at every point if you would have peace in Mexico and lasting peace in America.

Patriotic citizens! Elections are near, get busy!

Secret Document a Revelation---Meddling of Archbishop and Catholic Clergy in Elections and Legislature Boastfully Told by Themselves

PAPAL HEADQUARTERS IN SPRINGFIELD

Political Machine Includes Priests Who Manipulate Parishes Like Professional Ward Heelers---Are They in Politics? What Do You Think In View of What Follows?

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THE report of the Legislative Committee of the German Catholic Federation of Illinois is a booklet curious in form and startling in its contents. The cover is done in the papal colors, purple and gold; and the interior pages are printed in blue ink. Every printer is familiar with the use of blue ink in printing very private things so they cannot be photographed and reproduced fac-simile. The unusual colors of the cover are no doubt a mark of fealty to the Italian monarch in whose behalf the committee labors and lobbies.

Evidently intended for private circulation only, this little book contains much matter cheering to the plotters against the state and nation; but of greater importance to all those who would rather see Illinois governed by the people than by the pope. That it has been carefully guarded, and an attempt made to account for every copy is evident both from internal evidence and from the fact that the one copy is the only one to leak through and reach this office.

But, one copy is a plenty to prove the activity of the alleged church in Illinois politics and disclose the program, purpose and methods of the Roman Catholic political machine in doing the will of the pope as transmitted to them through the Archbishop of Chicago and the bishops of the papal province co-extensive with the great State of Illinois.

It begins with the story of how this committee of papists brought fifty-six priests into political action to re-elect a certain judge, who had rendered popery a service and had reaped the reward of Romish gratitude by a decision that prohibited the reading of the Protestant Bible in the public schools. But let their own report tell the story.

"JUDICIAL ELECTION FIGHT"

"During the fiscal year the committee was called into action shortly after the 1912 convention. On May 28th appeals for assistance were received from our friends and members from the Fourth Supreme Judicial District of Illinois, which comprise the following fourteen counties: Adams, Henderson, McDonough, Mason, Menard, Mercer, Morgan, Rock Island, Schuyler, Warren, Hancock, Fulton, Cass and Brown. State Supreme Judge George A. Cooke was up for reelection. This is the judge who cast the deciding vote in the celebrated Winchester Bible case. This decision sustained the Catholic protests against the reading of the Protestant Bible in the public schools. As a result a horde of fanatics swamped the district with scurrilous literature, denouncing Judge Cooke and the Catholic church, and frantically appealing to every 'patriotic citizen' to cast his vote against Judge Cooke.

"Protestant ministers were requested to take 'War on the Bible' as a text for their sermon on Sunday, June 1. The appeal for assistance from our friends was received on Thursday, May 29th. Quick action was necessary since the election was to be held on Tuesday, June 3rd. Personal letters were written to the 56 Catholic priests in the district and mailed to them by special delivery. They were asked to adopt the tactics of the enemy and appeal from the pulpits to our Catholic voters to go to the polls on Tuesday, June 3rd to save Judge Cooke from defeat. The Judge was triumphantly elected. It will inspire other judges to meet similar situations with equal courage and fair-mindedness. Herein lies the real importance of the victory."

To be sure! The real importance of the victory lay not so much in keeping the Bible out of the schools, though that is ever a desirable end for popery, but in the demonstrated ability of the Roman Catholic political machine, through its steering committee at the state capitol, to bring 56 priests into political action and through them and their dupes elect or defeat candidates according to the plans of the pope or hierarchy.

In the face of these statements from their own records, will the politician priests have the effrontery to say that the church of Rome is not in American politics? Will they have the nerve to say that Rome is not trying to influence the elections and decisions

its institutions? Do you think it would be long before the whole Russian caboodle were bundled out of the country?

But why shouldn't the Czar do that if the pope is allowed to do it? Isn't the Czar the head of the Greek Catholic church? Couldn't he set up the same specious plea of religion, and couldn't he consistently claim for his alleged Greek Catholicism all that the papists claim for their alleged Roman Catholicism? What a nation of ninnyes we are to permit such an invasion of our country—to house a horde of papal spies in every state house and in the capitol. Can't you see how you are being tricked out of your birthright by these foreign diplomats and native traitors? But read further and see how this committee of pope servers busied themselves.

SCHOOL LEGISLATION THEIR PRINCIPAL CONCERN

"As in former years, so during the session just closed the school question was again the principal subject of legislation toward which our energies were directed. The bills introduced covered a variety of subjects, some were meritorious, and perhaps necessary, others were costly and at the same time more theoretical than practical. Others again dealt with subjects or made provisions which were unfair and therefore antagonistic to our Catholic schools."

FREE TEXT-BOOK BILL DEFEATED

"Our first encounter with the 'Time Honored' free text book proposition came on April 16, before the Senate Committee on Education, and—as usual we won. This time the enemy came in disguise. A free text book provision was concealed in a Uniformity of Text Books bill. Since there was no free text book bill introduced in the Senate, we did not apprehend any danger from that direction. After getting the 'tip' however, that there was a free text book provision contained in one of the Uniformity Bills, we attended the committee meeting, and found that the senate committee had drawn up a committee bill which was to take the place of several uniformity bills introduced in the senate. Section 13 of this bill contained the objectionable feature. After your chairman of the Legislative Committee obtained the floor and explained the position taken by the Catholics of the state represented through his committee, one senator moved to strike out all of section 13, and order the bill printed as amended. Not a voice was raised in opposition to this motion, and the free text book question was settled as far as the senate is concerned.

"The next occasion for action along this line came when the house committee on education had under consideration House Bill No. 304. This bill was introduced by Mr. Madsen, a Socialist, and was the only absolute free text book (measure) introduced during the session. At the committee meeting Mr. Madsen championed his bill valiantly, but his arguments were promptly met by the chairman and secretary of our committee, and others. After our committee had voted to report the bill out with the recommendation that it do not pass, Mr. Madsen explained the situation by averring that we were too well organized and he considered that the principal cause for the defeat of the bill."

And we all must admit that Rome is too well organized for the public school system to last much longer if the people persist in indifference to, and toleration of, foreign meddling in the internal affairs of the nation and the states. The people of Illinois must be proud of the spineless representatives they elected to be bluffed by these gum-shod, pussy-footed agents of an alien monarch!

The question involved is not so much as to whether free text books are desirable or undesirable; but as to whether the people of Illinois are to decide that question, or whether the pope of Rome and his henchmen are to decide it. There is not a doubt about free text books increasing the efficiency of the public schools; and on this point, as on all other

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The Papacy Persecuting a Woman

Anna Lowry is securing evidence of Rome's cruelty and venomous spite by suffering imprisonment and fine at the hands and at the behest of criminal popery. She delivered an address Sunday, March 15, in Winona, Minn. She quoted from papal authority and the dupes of Rome could not stand the exposure and so in revenge had her arrested and placed in jail. Let me see—did I hear some priest of Rome say it was a shame even to insinuate against a Catholic woman or treat her as a criminal?

The sham gallantry of Rome is but a decoy of the beast, and so the Catholics of Winona, Minn., had the satisfaction of seeing Anna behind prison bars—fit punishment for telling the truth as printed in their own books. The mayor was prohibited by the judge from giving Miss Lowry access to any public hall in Winona. That is a fine advertisement for that Minnesota town in a state where free speech and free assembly is supposed to be guaranteed to the citizens thereof by the constitution of the state and of the United States. The Menace would like to know the name of the judge and the mayor who are guilty of such an unlawful and unjust decision and outrageous, unconstitutional conduct.

This item is not so important in itself as respects Miss Lowry, for she can rejoice that she can suffer for the truth's sake; but what will Minnesota say in reply to this vile transaction? The Scandinavians of that state will put a double cross, we think, on every politician who favors the Roman method of throttling free speech and assembly, or dares to approve in the least the imprisonment of a woman for telling the story of her wrongs and the damnable teachings of the Roman system.

But a greater question arises that demands a loud answer from every patriot in the land. If a judge and mayor and Catholic people can do such things to a woman today, what will Rome do to us all when she secures complete political control of this country, and what are you doing to prevent such a calamity? Must these messengers of a new reformation suffer assassination, kidnapping and imprisonment before the conscience of the nation is aroused and the patriotism of the people is awakened to action?

This subtle power rising up in every community in every state and in the whole nation superior to law and constitutions and the sacred rights of an American citizen, is the greatest menace America has ever known. Was the issue ever put plainer? The irrepressible conflict between the pope and his followers is upon us. The enemy is at your door and in your state house and in your courts and in the national capitol. The rule of Rome or the rule of a self-governed people must prevail. We must conquer the papacy or the papacy will conquer us.

Citizens, which shall it be?

Woman and Popery

When a delegation of progressive Italian women applied to Pope Pius X, for recognition of their equal rights as human beings, they received a characteristic papal reply in the following language:

"After creating man, God created woman and determined her mission, namely, that of being man's companion, helpmate and consolation. It is a mistake, therefore, to maintain that woman's rights are the same as man's. Woman, created as man's companion, must so remain—under the power of love and affection, but always under his power."

Always under power, is the keynote of popery. Mankind under the power of the pope, womankind under the power of husbands, children under the power of parents, all under the power of priests, is the old, old song set to music by pagans and sung by slave owners, serf holders, and authoritarians down the ages.

When the pagan fathers of Rome wanted wives they took the Sabine women by force and held them by force. In that way they got helpmates, for their wives were slaves; but the consolation and companionship they got by such means was of a decidedly lower order than that sought by the twentieth-century man when he goes forth to wed. In those days all women were property, the chattels of men. The wife of a slave was the slave of a slave. The wife of a lord was a lady, to be sure; but, in relation to her husband, she was an inferior being fit only for his pleasure and dependent on his caprice. Whatever rights or privileges she enjoyed were not derived from her status as a human being but from the convenience of her owner.

Step by step, side by side, men and women have struggled toward freedom. Every step of the way has been contested by the high and mighty. Monarchs, autocrats and authoritarians impede the march of man because it is the escape of slaves. Monarchs and popes, originating in and belonging to the dark ages, hold fast to the old ideas as the bulwark of their privileges. For that reason the insistence of the archaic Roman remnant on the subjection of women is consistent and in perfect harmony with the spirit of popery, though in direct conflict with the spirit of the twentieth century.

To be a companion of her husband the wife must be his equal. No real man desires a slave for a companion. To be a consolation she must be a partner on equal terms. To be an efficient helpmate she must help decide things as well as help do things. If they two are to be as one the unity excludes both lordship and subjection. Any other conception of the matrimonial relation is worse than brutal, for the brutes concede no authority of one sex over another.

Publicity and Other Things

The liquor dealers of Iowa met at Council Bluffs in the latter part of June, and passed resolutions condemning moving picture films that show bar-room and wine rooms with their drinking, drunkards and drunkenness. It would seem that Rum has been taking lessons of Rome on the evils of publicity.

Most enterprises, both religious and secular, court publicity as a means of advertising; but Rum and Romanism are peculiar in their likeness on the point of discouraging disclosures of their methods and product. Rum is against the movies that picture the evils of the wine room and saloon; Rome is against the papers that publish the evils of convents and confessionals. Rum is against these pictures because they are uncomplimentary to the booze business; Rome is against papers printing convent and confessional secrets because those revelations are damaging to priestcraft.

Rum would not have the public reminded of its part in making drunkards; Rome would not have the public reminded of its part in immorality. Rum is ashamed of its product; so is Rome. Rum would keep its questionable operations quiet; so would Rome. Rum runs its business better in the dark than in the light; so does Rome.

Rum and Romanism are a unit and have a common interest in more things than one; but in no particular is their common cause more marked and striking than in their dislike of publicity and their desire for immunity from public observation and official inspection.

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